

The City of Warwick
Docket of the City Council
Regular Public Hearing Meeting
For
February 10, 2014
@
Council Chambers
Warwick City Hall
3275 Post Road
Warwick, RI 02886
@ 7:00 P.M.

Donna Travis, President

Roll Call:
Salute To The Flag:

Time:
Ward:

Executive Communications

General Communications

Public Hearings

Referred Business

1. **PCO-3-14 Ordinance for a public hearing to review and solicit input and comment from the public and elected officials on the Planning Board approved of the Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map entitled “City of Warwick Comprehensive Plan 2013-2033, 21st Century Warwick: City of Livable Neighborhoods.”**

(Councilman Colantuono and Council President Travis, at the request of Mayor Avedisian)

First Passage

Committee Report (Land Use):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

Speaking for:

Speaking against:

Motion to close P.H.:

Seconded by:

Vote:

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

2. PCR-17-14 **Resolution regarding a Wetlands petition from RI Airport Corporation**

(Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson–Ward 3, Councilman Solomon-Ward 4, Councilman Donovan-Ward 7)

The purpose of the proposed wetlands alterations is twofold as follows:

1. To implement safety improvements at T.F. Green Airport to meet required FAA standards, including extending the Runway 34 End Safety Area and installing an Engineered Materials Arresting System (EMAS) to improve the runway safety area (RSA) overrun. Also included are associated modifications to security access roads, field lighting, and navigational aid systems. Storm water drainage system modifications are also proposed to comply with the requirements of the RI Storm water Design and Installation Standards Manual.
2. Additional wetland alterations are associated with a number of mitigation areas intended to compensate for wetland alterations, and associated loss of functions and values, resulting from the work described in number 1 above. Said mitigation includes, in general, wetland creation in upland wetland areas; reconnection of currently fragmented wetland areas; restoration of a currently channelized portion of river to a sinuous channel; replacement of substandard, obstructing culverts; daylighting of a currently culverted portion of a river; and relocation of fencing to facilitate access to areas of wetland currently inaccessible to many species of wildlife.

The proposed alterations to freshwater wetlands consist of at least clearing, filling, re-grading, excavation, temporary and permanent diversion of flow, creation of new channels, discharge of storm water, artificial illumination, creating soil disturbance, and other construction-related disturbance within or that otherwise change the character of the above-noted regulated freshwater wetlands.

The project, as proposed, will result in the permanent alteration and/ or disturbance of approximately 2.63 acres of swamp, the relocation of a stream, a river channel (where a channel exists), and approximately 4.16 acres of perimeter/riverbank wetland. Additionally, temporary impacts to freshwater wetlands include approximately 0.589 acres perimeter/riverbank wetland, primarily associated with staging and access areas and temporary sheeting. Freshwater wetlands altered during the construction of mitigation areas include approximately 1.28 acres of swamp, approximately 850 linear feet of river and approximately 3.9 acres of perimeter/riverbank wetland. Note that all areas listed are consolidated such that areas of impacts within multiple wetland types were accounted for only once.

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RULE 41. After the General Communications and prior to the Consent Calendar at each City Council Public Hearing meeting there shall be a fifteen minute period during which citizens may comment about Warwick city government issues subject to the following stipulations:

- a) The total period of time for public comment shall be 15 minutes. Comments need to be brief in order to allow as many citizens as possible to participate.
- b) The topics for comment shall be issues directly affecting City government.
- c) City Council members will not respond to questions during the public comment period.
- d) The public comment session will terminate at the expiration of 15 minutes. Waiver of this provision requires unanimous consent.

3. Announcement of Appointments –

Committee to Study Feasibility of Compliance Checkers for Minimum Housing

Camille Vella-Wilkinson	Ward 3
786 Church Avenue	
Warwick RI 02889	
(Legislation sponsor)	Term to Expire: 05-01-2014

Westbay Community Action Board of Directors

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|----------------------------|--------|
| A. Camille Vella-Wilkinson | Ward 3 |
| 786 Church Avenue | |
| Warwick RI 02889 | |
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| B. Donna Travis | Ward 6 |
| 733 Oakland Beach Avenue | |
| Warwick, RI 02889 | |

4. Appointments Requiring Confirmation –

Historic Cemeteries Commission

Maria L. Pease	Ward 9
69 Collins Avenue	
Warwick RI 02818	
(Re-Appointment)	Term to Expire: 01-01-2017

Committee Report (Appointments):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

Committee to Study Feasibility of Compliance Checkers for Minimum Housing

Joyce Andrade

Ward 3

6 Deerfield Drive

Warwick RI 02889

(General Public Appointment)

Term to Expire: 05-01-2014

Committee Report (Appointments):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

5. Consent Calendar -

A. PCR-27-14 Resolution Relative to Bids
(Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

Committee Report (Finance):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

B. PCR-26-14 Resolution Relative to Tax Abatements
(Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

Committee Report (Finance):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

VOTE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. PCO-28-13 Ordinance regarding fines for no parking near Cedar Hill School
(Councilman Merolla)

First Passage

Committee Report (Public Safety):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

2. PCO-32-13 Ordinance relative to a Zone Change Petition, Pawtuxet by the Sea, Centerville Builders, Inc., Petitioner

(Councilman Colantuono – Ward 1)

Second Passage, as amended

The Applicant is requesting a recommendation to the City Council for Assessor's Plat 292, Assessor's Lots: 187, 188 (Portion) & 189, to allow for the development of a (6) six-unit condominium complex. The property is currently a split zone; A-7 & A-10 Residential, and the Applicant is hereby requesting a zone change to A-10 Planned District Residential (PDR), with exemptions for less than required frontage, lot width, (Canonchet Lane), and front-yard and side-yard setbacks, less than required landscaping and screening, parking within 15' of a residence, parking and driveway within 10' of a property line, no direct access to a major street or highway, less than required separation between buildings, loft (living space) in an accessory building, higher than allowed accessory building, and an accessory building within the front yard setback.

Committee Report (Land Use):

Action:

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Seconded by:

Vote:

3. PCO-1-14 An Ordinance to establish a Sewer Oversight Committee

(Councilman Ladouceur)

First Passage

Committee Report (Ordinance): **NOT DRAFTED**

4. PCO-4-14 Ordinance requesting monthly Munis Financial Reports to reflect accounts reaching 50% and 80% to be highlighted for the council

(Councilman Ladouceur)

First passage

Committee Report (Finance):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

5. PCR-76-13 Resolution to the General Assembly in support of enabling legislation for the Warwick Sewer Authority

(Councilman Gallucci)

Committee Report (Intergovernmental):

Action:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Vote:

6. PCR-129-13 Resolution for Senior Project Mentorship Program

(Councilman Donovan)

Committee Report (Intergovernmental):

Action:

Moved by

Seconded by:

Vote:

7. PCR-7-14 Resolution to the General Assembly requesting a charter change regarding term lengths and limits for Mayor, City Council members, and School Committee members

(Councilwoman Vella-Wilkinson)

Committee Report (Intergovernmental): **NOT DRAFTED**

New Petitions for Referral and Advertising

PCO-31-13 An Ordinance regarding modifying zoning regulation to three cats and three dogs to match city ordinance for public hearing on March 17, 2014

Unanimous Consent for February 10, 2014

Motion to Adjourn:

Time:

Next available numbers:

PCO-9-14

PCR-30-14

DOCKET SESSION